



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

in re the application of:

Inventor(s) : Kazuo HORIKAWA  
Serial Number : 09/990,270  
Filed : November 23, 2001  
For : LOCK CLEVER DEVICE FOR WORKING IMPLEMENT  
 : DRIVE CONTROL SYSTEM OF CONSTRUCTION  
 : MACHINE VEHICLE  
Examiner : Bradley J. Van Pelt  
Group Art Unit : 3682

**PETITION FOR SECOND AND THIRD MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME**

The Honorable Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

July 14, 2003

Dear Sir:

Under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.17 and 1.136, applicant hereby petitions for a second and third month extension of time for filing a response to the Office action mailed December 12, 2003. The Office action mailed December 12, 2003, set forth a three-month period for response. A petition for a one-month extension of time was filed on June 12, 2003, together with the required fee of \$110.00 therefor. The petition for a one-month extension of time extended the due date for response to the Official action mailed February 12, 2003, from March 12, 2003, to April 12, 2003. This petition for a second and third month extension of time extends the due date for response another

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SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE AFTER FINAL  
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two months to June 12, 2003. Since June 12, 2003, was a Saturday, a reply to the Official action mailed December 12, 2003, can be timely filed on the next business day, namely, Monday, June 14, 2003.

The United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) fee for a three-month extension of time is \$950.00 (NINE HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS). Applicant previously paid the one-month extension of time fee of \$110.00 (ONE HUNDRED TEN DOLLARS), together with the petition for a one-month extension of time filed on April 12, 2003. Accordingly, applicant is attaching hereto a check in the amount of \$840.00 (EIGHT HUNDRED FORTY DOLLARS) [\$950.00 - \$110.00 = \$840.00] for the second and third months of the extension of time.

In the event that this paper or any paper file together herewith is not timely filed, applicant hereby petitions for an appropriate extension of time. The director is hereby authorized to charge the fee therefor, as well as any deficiency in the payment of the required fee(s) or credit any overpayment, to our deposit account No. 22-0256.

Respectfully submitted,  
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